

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE JUDICIARY, LAW ENFORCEMENT & CRIMINAL JUSTICE
STANDING COMMITTEE**
Room 250, Utah State Capitol
February 26, 2015

Members Present: Sen. Mark B. Madsen, Chair
Sen. Gene Davis
Sen. Luz Escamilla
Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher
Sen. Stephen H. Urquhart
Sen. Todd Weiler

Members Excused: Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard

Staff Present: Mr. Nathan Brady, Policy Analyst
Ms. Nancy Skidmore, Committee Secretary

NOTE: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Chair Madsen called the meeting to order at 8:15 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to approve the minutes of the Feb. 24, 2015 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla, Sen. Thatcher, and Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

S.B. 238 Prostitution Amendments (*Sen. A. Millner*)

Sen. Millner explained the bill to the committee.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla and Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla and Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

Sen. Madsen relinquished the chair to Sen. Davis.

S.B. 259 Medical Cannabis Amendments (*Sen. M. Madsen*)

Sen. Madsen explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke to the bill: Mark Steinagel, Director, Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing
John Valentine, Commissioner, Utah State Tax Commission

Spoke for the bill: Christine Steinquist
Tenille Farr
Dr. Michael Wilson
William Morris, Attorney
David Dodridge, Retired Police Officer
Larry Kirk, Chief of Police, Old Monroe, Missouri
Forrest Shaw
Aaron Campbell
Jeremy Roberts, Chief Executive Officer, Medical Cannabis
Payment Solutions
Sanoa Stewart

Spoke against the bill: Matt Fairbanks, Special Agent, Drug Enforcement Administration
Wade Carpenter, President, Utah Chiefs of Police
Dr. Chris Stock
Linda Nelson
Mark Miner, Addiction Recovery Program

Sen. Thatcher moved to send the bill back to Rules.

SUB. MOTION: Sen. Urquhart moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed with Sen. Thatcher and Sen. Weiler voting in opposition. Sen. Escamilla was absent for the vote.

Sen. Madsen resumed the chair.

H.B. 164 Grandparent Rights Amendments (*Rep. L. Christensen*)

This bill was not considered.

H.C.R. 1 Concurrent Resolution Designating Start by Believing Day (*Rep. A. Romero*)

Sen. Romero explained the bill to the committee.

Spoke for the bill: Amelia Roper

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla, Sen. Davis, and Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla, Sen. Davis, and Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Weiler moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Escamilla, Sen. Davis, and Sen. Urquhart absent for the vote.

Chair Madsen adjourned the meeting 9: 55 p.m.

Sen. Mark B. Madsen, Chair